Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 28 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 29 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 27 Oct 2021 at 17:05 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: There is uncertainty in the distribution of rainfall over the coming days, and timings of individual bands of rain are likely to change by several hours. High for unsettled, changeable weather.

Headline for Thursday 28 Oct 2021: Fresh or strong southerly winds bring a mixture brighter spells and passing rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 28 Oct 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
	MIST	FOG					MIST
Cloudy	Mist	Fog	Drizzle	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Mist
Precipitation probability							
20%	30%	20%	50%	50%	20%	20%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 28 Oct 2021

Weather: A few passing showers through the early hours, otherwise dry, then a frost free, bright start. Thicker cloud and spells of rain will spread northeastwards from mid morning to give an hour or two of wet weather for most areas. This will clear from the west through afternoon returning to bright and breezy conditions. Isolated showers passing through evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% improving 60% through afternoon.

Visibility: Any spells of rain and drizzle will turn lower slopes hazy, especially across those exposed to the south, otherwise no issues expected below the cloud base. Cloud will be extensive above 400-500m, perhaps lower in the east, but will lift and break as rain clears to the east, but unreliably so.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	32/39 SW	33/40 SW	29/35 S	25/31 S	25/32 S	29/36 SW	25/32 SW	22/28 S	23/28 S
900	22/29 SW	22/29 SW	20/27 S	16/23 S	18/25 S	20/28 SW	18/24 SW	15/21 S	15/21 S
600	14/27 SW	13/26 SW	13/24 S	8/16 S	10/20 S	13/25 SW	11/22 SW	8/17 S	7/15 S
300	2/7 NW	4/7 SE	4/10 SE	4/9 SE	5/13 S	7/16 SW	4/10 W	4/10 S	4/9 S
Glen	4/10 W	4/14 SW	5/11 SE	4/11 SE	6/12 S	7/15 SW	5/13 SW	5/10 SE	4/8 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	5/-1	5/-1	5/-1	6/0	6/0	6/0	4/-2	4/-1	4/-2
900	7/2	7/2	7/2	7/3	8/4	8/3	6/2	6/2	5/1
600	9/6	9/6	9/6	9/7	10/7	10/7	8/5	8/5	7/5
300	9/9	10/9	10/9	10/10	12/11	12/10	10/9	9/8	9/8
Glen	10/9	10/9	10/9	11/11	12/11	12/11	10/10	10/9	9/8
Freezing Level*	1800m	2000m	1900m	2000m	2200m	2000m	1800m	1800m	1800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be prepared for poor visibility and possibly wet conditions through morning.

Forecast for Friday 29 Oct 2021

Weather: Whilst there is some uncertainty in the forecast, the most likely scenario is for rain to spread north across all ranges early in the morning to leave a damp and dull start. Clearer conditions should then spread east later in the, but it may take until the evening to clear the Cairngorms, Angus and Aberdeenshire Hills. Much lighter winds compared to Thursday.

Maximum wind: South or southwest 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% improving 60% in the west through afternoon.

Visibility: Cloud will thicken and descend to around 400-600m through morning leaving extensively poor visibility across the hills. This will lift and break from the west later in the day leaving only patches of cloud above 800m here.

Temperature: **Glens:** Around plus 10 Celsius, falling plus 6 Celsius late evening.
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits, falling around 1400m through evening.

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